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|   |   | First Named Inventor   | Paul J. RANK et al. |
|   |   | Group Art Unit         | 2176                |
|   |   | Examiner Name          | Nathan Hillery      |
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**ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)**

- ☒ Transmitted herewith is a Response to September 19, 2006 Office Action.
- ☒ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

| (1)<br>FOR            | (2)<br>CLAIMS<br>REMAINING AFTER<br>AMENDMENT   | (3) | (4)<br>HIGHEST NO.<br>PREVIOUSLY PAID<br>FOR | (5)<br>PRESENT<br>EXTRA   | (6)<br>RATE   | (7)<br>ADDITIONAL<br>FEE |
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| TOTAL<br>CLAIMS       | 20  | -   | 44   | 0   | <input type="checkbox"/> x \$25.00<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> x \$50.00               | \$0.00                   |
| INDEPENDENT<br>CLAIMS | 2   | -   | 4  | 0   | <input type="checkbox"/> x \$100.00<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> x \$200.00             | \$0.00                   |
|                       | APPLICATION AMENDED TO CONTAIN<br>ANY MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS NOT<br>PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR. |     |  | <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO | <input type="checkbox"/> x \$180.00<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> x \$360.00<br>ONE TIME | \$0.00                   |
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- ☐ Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for responding to the Office Action dated \_\_\_\_\_ by one month(s) for a fee of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ so that the period for response is extended to \_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.
- ☐ The amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for the Terminal Disclaimer under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) is included in the enclosed credit card payment form to charge .
- ☐ The enclosed credit card payment form to charge the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is to cover the total claim fee and other applicable fees.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the extension fee and any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to Account No. 19-3140. **A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.**

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| In re Patent Application of:                | ) | Group Art Unit: 2176     |
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| Paul J. RANK et al.                         | ) | Examiner: Nathan Hillery |
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| Application No. 09/756,642                  | ) |                          |
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| Filed: January 3, 2001                      | ) |                          |
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| For: Method and Apparatus for a File Format | ) |                          |
| for Storing Spreadsheets Compactly          | ) |                          |

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 19, 2006 OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the non-final Office Action of September 19, 2006. Please reconsider the application in view of the amendment and remarks presented below.